# CHARLEY ROSS

The Abductors of the Missing Boy Shot Dead Yesterday at Bay Ridge.

## A BURGLAR'S DYING CONFESSION.

How the New York and Philadelphia Detectives Obtained a Clew.

#### WHERE IS THE CHILD?

Superintendent Walling's Suspicions and the Way They Were Justified.

#### THE BAY RIDGE TRAGEDY.

The public interest in the Ross abduction case was revived and the identity of the men who abducted the child established yesterday beyond a doubt in a way that was as tragical as it was unexpected. It would seem that ever since the description given by the little brother of Charley Ross of the "two men in a buggy" was made public, Superintendent Walling of the police feit certain that it answered the description of two burglars, named Mosher and Douglas, who gener ally "worked" in company. Starting out un-hesitatingly with that conviction, the police have with the greatest secrecy ever since, under his direction, been laboring day and night in order to trace the scoundrels to their lair. From a variety of causes they fatied, but the dying statement of one of the two men, both of whom were killed yesterday while perpetrating a burgiary at Bay Ridge, near Fort Hamilton, shows conclusively that Mr. Walling's suspicions as to who the abductors were were well founded, and that his starting point was the correct one. What bearing the death or the abductors, who died without giving a clew as to the child's whereabouts, will have upon the chances of the discovery of the boy is a question which depends now, seemingly, upon the willingness of a third party, who was an accessory after the fact in the abduction, to produce the child, or apon the skill of the police in ferreting out this ourty's niding place, if unwilling to produce the boy voluntarily. But as to the tragedy and what

About one mile from Fort Hamilton, and just adjoining the little cluster of houses which form the village of Bay Ridge, is located the summer residence-a handsome frame structure, surrounded by ample grounds-of Judge Van Brunt, of the Court of Common Pleas, of New York. The building is not occupied in the winter season, its care devolving upon a brother of the Judge, Mr. J. Van Brunt, who is a farmer and resides with his family in a building distant about two hundred where William Scott, a laborer, lives. The Judge, last summer, recognizing the exposed position of the place, which overlooks the river, caused burgiar alarms to be placed on the window sills and doors of his house, and the wires were connected with an alarm bell in the sleeping apartment of Mr. J. H. Van Brunt. About three o'clock yesterday morning the latter named gentleman was aroused from his slumbers by the sharp metallic RINGING OF THE BURGLAR ALARM BELL.

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He at first supposed that the noise was due to the fact that as he bad been in his brother's house that day he might have left the windows raised. and the wind doubtless caused the alarm to sound. On second thought he determined upon sending his son Albert, a young man twenty-four Albert proceeded to obey the order of his father, but before doing so called the servant man Scott, who was sleeping in the stable, to accompany him. On approaching the house they discovered a light in the upper part of the domicile, and at once determining that there was something wrong within they quietly withdrew. Albert said, on returning to his home, "Father, there is some one in the Judge's house." The old gentleman, springing out of bed, proceeded to dress himself rapidly, and said, "Get the shotguns, my son, and call up Herman Frank," another farm laborer who slept on the premises. When they had seen well to the sallied forth quietly to protect their property and punish the daring robbers who had invaded the premises. The forces were deployed expedi-tiously and quietly by Mr. Van Brunt, Sr., who, in company with William Scott, lay down in the grass on his belly, in the rear of the Judge's house. Albert Van Brunt and Herman Frank went to the front of the building. Frank screened himself from view and Albert boldly shook the front door, making a racket which at once alarmed the burgiars within, as they blew out the light instantly. In a moment he heard them moving down stairs, and, peering through a window, he saw two men, one of whom lit a lucifer match to pass across the par.or. They then made their way down into the cellar and were emerging from the cellar doorway in the rear when the men who were lying in the grass covered them with their towling pieces and CRIED OUT

"Halt! stop!" The only response was two pistol shots which the fleeing burglars fired in quick succession. One of the men uttered an exciamation of pain, indicating plainly that he had been wounded by a snot which was fired at the same moment by Mr. Holmes Van Brunt. Both burglars turned to run up an alley way at the left of the house. Albert then came up and fired a shot at the man first hit, and turning upon the other fellow shot at him. The elder Van Brunt came up to the assistance of his son, who was engaged yard. The man Frank fired a charge of shot into the latter fellow, who fell down upon his face. The fellow who was in combat with Albert fired two shots at him from a small Smith & Wesson revolver, and again he raised the pistol, pointing the muzzle in the young man's face. Quick as thought Albert clubbed and raised his musket, striking the burgiar with such force on the right forearm that the stock of the piece was shattered to splinters, the pistol fell from the band of

THE WOULD-BE MURDERER, and, turning about with a yell, he ran away. Albert then drew a pistol from his pocket and fired three times at the fleeing man. Two shots took effect and death was almost instantaneous. The defenders of the Van Brunt house then being condition of their game. The man who had been brought down by Frank's shot was dying, but still conscious. A light was procured, and, bending over him, Mr. Van Brunt, Sr., said, "Young man, your time is pretty short now. If you have anything to say you had better be about it at once. Who are you? What is your name? and where did you come from?" The dying man replied,

THE REVELATION. "We came from New York. My name is Joseph Bougias. That man iying over there is William Mosher. He lives in Philadelphia, and has a wife and six children. Superintendent Walling would give a good deal to get hold of that man. If he had not been killed outright he might have told you where that bey who was stolen from Germantown (Charley Ross) is to be found." "Have you any retailves about here?" Inquired Mr. Van Brunt. "I have," was the answer. "two slaters living somewhere, but I have not seen them for more than ten years. You will find in my pocket \$40, and all I ask of you is to see that I got than ten years. You will find in my pocket \$40, and all I ask of you is to see that I got."

Pouglas lingered for upwards of two hours in agony, and expired about hall past five o'clock. The bodies were carried out of the cold rain which was falling in beneath the shelter of the porch of the house which they had attempted to rob.

is in description the counterpart of the abductor of Charley Ross. He is a man about forty-five or fitty rears of age, of atout build, sandy hair, light

side whiskers and mustache, five feet nine inches in height. His leasures were decidedly unprepossessing, a portion of his nose being eaten away by cancer. The first joint of the first finger of the right hand is missing. In his pooket was found a caustio pencil, and a few matches. Douglas, who was also a desperado in appearance, was about thirty-five years old, had carroly red hair and mustache of the same hue, crooked nose, but otherwise regular features. He had evidently enjoyed a fairer share of intelligence than his elder companion in crime. At an early hour in the morning

THE COUNTRY PROPLE.

among whom the story spread with the rapidity of wildfire, gathered about the scene of the tragedy and peered curiously at the decased two men whom she had seen in her master's yard during the night. A man named Van Riper, who keeps a saloon, distant about a mile from the Van Brant property, recognized in them two men who had partaken of refreshments at his place at a late hour on Sunday night. Both men were very shabblity dressed.

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DOUGLAS IDENTIFIED AS A CRILD STEALER. A domestic in the employ of Justice C. W. Church, of Fort Hamilton, identified Douglas as a man who had attempted, in July last, to abdust Charley Church, aged five years, and a son of the Justice. The man, the woman said, had fondied the boy until he had gained his entire confidence, and then, taking him by the hand, was about to lead the child away. The wom n says as soon as she missed the boy she proceeded after the mas, in company with a girl, and, overtaking him, had considerable trouble before they could regain possession of Charley. This remarkable recognition of the dead enhanced the interest of the rustics in the tragedy and drove out all feelings of sorrow for the fate of the deceased.

Constable John Holland, of Bay Ridge, took the Van Brunts, Scott and Frank, into custody to abide the result of the Coroner's inquest. This action is, of course, nothing more than a matter of form, as they were entirely justified in their course. Justice Church reached the scene at an early hour ann telegraphed the facts to Coroner Lawrence Whitehill, of Brooklyn. That official ordered the 'tly Morgue, where they were taken in the atternoon. Arrangements have even made by Coroner Whitehill for holding the inquest on Wednesday. Dr. A. M. Shepherd with hold a post-mortem examination over the bodies to the Cody.

THE TELEGRAPH CALLED INTO REQUISITION. Justice Church sent the following telegram to Superintendent Walling, of New York:— Two burglars. William Mosher and Joseph Douglas, were killed here last night. Do you know them? Douglas declared, when dying, that Mosher knew about Charley Koss. C. W. Church.

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Detective Selick arrived about ten o'clock and immediately identified the bodies as those of Mosher and Bouglas, two notorious river thieves and burglars. In conversation with a reporter upon the subject of Bull Mosher's connection with the Ross abduction case, he said:—"Mosher has been a bold and active thier all his hie, and he is forty-five or fifty years old. He used to work with his brother, John Mosher, but they had some quarrel, a vear or two ago, over the division of the spoils in a Keyport burglary. They got away with about \$6,000 in that burglary, and, after a long search, we found them and arrested them in Monmouth. N. J. They were locked up in the jail there, and we told the authorities of the place they had better be very careful, for the two brothers would most likely break jail. They only laughed at us, and said they guessed their jail was strong enough to hold them. Bless you, they were out before morning. They took away the whole side of the jail. Then, as I say, the two Moshers had a guard over their swag, and did not work together. But Mosher took Douglas for a partner, and he and John were ready to give each other away. We got a clew to the Ross abduction, and I have been working with Joan Mosher for six months trying to get hold of Bill. I've been up and down the river in a steamer for fitteen days trying to find Bill, but haven't had the good luck to find him uninow. This is a mighty good job."

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A young man named Theodore V. Bergen, who resides a short distance from the house of Mr. Van Brunt, and who ran to the assistance of his neighbor, gives the ioliowing interesting statement in relation to an interview which he had with Donglas white the latter lay dying of his wounds:—"I was asleep, waen I was aroused by the discharge of firearms. I sprang out of bed hastily and went to the window. I threw up my window, and could tell by the sound that it was over at Judge Van Brunt's house. I called as loud as I could, 'Do you want any help over there? The answer came at once, 'Yes,' in Mrs. Van Brunt's voice. I remembered at once the chicken scrape they had over there, and I thought perhaps there were thieves over there and they might need help to capture them. As soon as I got the word yes, I hurned on my clothes and called to my brother Thomas, who I lound was already up, and

might need help to capture them. As soon as I got the word yes, I hurried on my clothes and called to my brother Thomas, who I lound was already up, and

"As soon as we got over we found that the two men were both shot. Mosher was dead, having received two wounds in the back, one of which, I think, must have gone straight through his lungs. Douglas, however, was alive, although his lungs, in mortal agony down by the lence where he had been shot. I went to him, and he asked for whiskey. I got some whiskey for him, and he pushed it away alter tasting it and called for water. I got him some water, and he drank it. I asked him who he was, and he said that his name was Joseph Douglas and that he was a single man, having no relations, except a brother and sister, whom he had noiseen for tweive or fitteen years, mosher, he said, was a married man and nad five children. Then he said, 'li's no use lying now.

I HELFED TO STEAL CHARLEY ROSS.'

"When I heard this i sent right away to get all the people together that i could, so that the evidence that he might give would be fully established. He said that he helped Mosher to steal Charley Ross. That he was in the buggy with Mosher when they stole him. 'Mosher knows all about it,' said he. I told him that Mosher was dead, and asked him to tell me the particulars. Inspector walling knows,' said he, 'and the boy will get nome all right.' I questioned him in ther, but could not get anything more out of him, as he was suffering so terribly that he would not talk."

It is generally believed that Pouglas was a stool-pigeon, notwithistanding what he himself said—that he was about to give his comp

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Excitement at Policy headouants when it became generally known that the two men had been in some way connected with the Ross case. There were but very few persons even in the detective office who had been let into the confidence of the Superntendent relative to their being concerned with the adduction, and it is more than probable that most of the detectives were as much surprised at the news as anybody clae who had never before heard of Bill Mosher of Joe Dougias. The first Superintendent Walling neard of their death was about the A. E., when on arriving at his office, he was handed a despatch by Mr. George Hoperaff, his secretary, who bar received it a few minutes before. On opening it the Superintendent tound that it was from Justice Chorci, at Fort Hamilton, informing him that two men had been killed at Bay Ridge in Judge Van Brunt's house, which shey had entered while perpetrating a burglary. A description of the men were given, and then ioliowed the question.

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took little Charley away, after a conference with Captain Hedden and the obtaining of other information. I knew my men. You will remember that that description said one of the men wore goggies and that a monkey nose, as the children called it. Despite the goggies, the detailed description given of the other man told us who the men were. Let me show you now quickly Mosher was recognized. I called in Detective Silleck one day, and atter describing Mosher and the peculiarity of his nose, mentioning Mosher and the peculiarity of his nose, mentioning him by his ains of Henderson, I told him I wanted to get hold of him, but did not tell him for what. Silleck at once exclaimed, 'Why, I know him; that's Bill Mosher.'"

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'Then from that time forward you have had men looking for Mosher and Douglas ""

'Yes. We arranged our plans very secretly, and no one knew anything about them, with the exception of the officers engaged in the hunt and some of the members of the Ross family, with whom I have been in communication about the men for four or five months by mail and telegraph."

'Was the search made in this city?"

'In this city? I should say it was. There was never made in my experience so thorough a search for anything as has been made by us in this case. Officers have been secretly detailed everywhere—at the ferries, at the depots, wherever, in fact, we had an idea we could get a clew to the men. The city was thoroughly searched, and our officers have been in almost every city in the Union. The country, to, has been undergoing

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"I knew the men's habits. It was one of their customs to go from place to place in a small location their visits for spoils, and I came to the conclusion that they might be come across in that way. You see, my theory is borne out by the discovery that the fellows went down to hay Ridge in a saliboat, and that one of their old habits had not been set aside. A cat-rigged boat was stolen at Bridgeport some time ago, which I got information about, and it may be that the boat the men used to get to Bay Ridge is that boat, showing that our launch on the Sound was not so far out of the way after all. However, I nave not as yet obtained a description of the boat at Bay Ridge."

"Then Mosher and Douglas were not unknown to the police as criminals?"

"They were not. Both of them were bad men. Mosher used to live in the Thirteenth ward and Douglas in the Eleventh ward of this city. They had

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Worked Together for years, and for some time Mosher, under the alias of Henderson, lived in Philadelpnia, and Douglas hived with him Mosher had another alias, that of Johnson, and Douglas was known by the alias of Clark. Mosher was a married man and had three or four children. He was, I dare say, well on to fity years of age, and his mustache and side whiskers were quite gray. Douglas was a smaller man, with sandy hair and mastache. They were both very rough lellows. They were known as bad eggs' always. Douglas at one time was employed as a hand on a radiroad on Long island. Mosher was a smart man, and for one of his kind quite well read. He folmerly kept a saloon in Grand street, near Laurens street. Mosher was the man who wore goggles and who induced Charley Ross to get into the buggy."

"Now, Mr. Waleng, what do you believe was the object of these men in abducting Charley Ross"

"It was simply to make money. They undoubtedly had an idea that Mr. Ross was a rich man; and but for that idea they would never have taken the child. One of their habits was to go about with

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through the country selling all sorts of things, patent articles and all that, and under this cover occasionally crack a crib." They were evidently on a jaint like that some time before they took it into their heads to abduct Charley Ross. When they began to have letters dropped here and there, addressed to Mr. Ross, telling him unless he paid so and so the child would be killed, he and other members of the tamily were naturally very much alarmed, and wrote to me about it. But I leit certain by the way the two men managed to elade my officers that they knew i suspected them, and that that would deter them from harming the boy, and I always told the family not to be frightened by their threats."

"With all the search made for them were you never able to nunt them to close quarters?"

"The fact that they were seen but once in this city or any place else after the aboution shows pretty conclusively that they knew they were being looked for very closely, and, consequently, did not venture out much irom wherever they ind themselves. The last time their whereabouts in this city was known was shortly siter the abduction. A man who keeps a saloon in this city was known was shortly after the abduction. A man who keeps a saloon in this city was known was shortly after the process of the seen at the place. This citizen was seen to speak to an officer shortly afterward by this man, and Mosher and Douglas dropping in some time afterward he told them an inquiry had been made for them. They evidently got frightened and were never seen atterward. Two men were never hunted to the death with greater zeal than were these same two scoundrels; and it is pretty certain they never ventured into the city by day, and it they never here asked, "what effect will the death of Mosher and Douglas have "their boat."

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"Mr. Walling," the reporter here asked, "what effect will the death of Mosher and Douglas have on the Ross case?" "If the boy was in their care may he not have been concealed in some place unknown to any other person, and thus starve?" "It is a rather hard question to answer," was the Superintendent's reply, "whether the death of these men will have a good or a bad effect upon the case; whether it will FAGILITATE CHARLEY ROSS' DISCOVERY if in the hands of other persons or not. My opinion is that it will be all right now," and Mr. Walling spoke in quite a cheerful tone as ne said this from the way he evaded any juther questioning as to whether he knew of any other parties being connected with Mosher and Douglas in the abduction or rather in the concealment of the boy, the reporter came to the conceinent that there are persons who, now that Mosher and Douglas are dead, will be able, without fear, to point to his whereabouts; that, in fact, the Superintendent's suspicions have not covered Mosher and Douglas only. In answer to the question as to whether he knew where Mosher's wife was, he repiled, "I know whe used to live in Philadelphia, and I know where she was last Saturday night.

and Douglas only. In answer to the question as to whether he knew where Mosher's wife was, he replied, "I know she used to live in Philadelphia, and I know where she was last Saturday night. She has moved three times within a month, and, unless she has moved since Saturday, I know of her whereabouts. I would rather not say anything more about other parties who were somewhat connected with Mosher and Douglas in this Ross business. This woman may, in all probability, be able to do a great deal that will serve to unravel the mystery which now surrounds the fate of the lost child.

JERSEY JUSTICE.

The Superintendent and Captain Hedden, who happened to drop into the former's omce after the above conversation was held, were of the opinion that Mosher and Douglas kept out of the way of the police as much from the lear of Jersey justice as anything else. Captain Hedden, who knew the two men well, says that some three years ago they committed a burgiary at Freehold, N. J., were arrested for it, and, while awaiting trial, broke out of jail and escaped. They were afraid of recapture, and ever since that time have been flitting about here and there under all sorts of disguises.

# PHILADELPHIA VISITORS.

About five o'clock in the evening, while Superintendent Walling was in his office modesily
telling to some reporters part of what he had
known of the doings of the abductors of Charley
Ros, Captain Heins, of the Philadel-phis detective force, entered, accompanied by Mr. McKeen,
managing editor of the Public Ledger, of Philadelphia. Immediately a secret conference was held
by the Superintendent and his new vistors. When
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in its character, is to the point, read as follows:

W. R. Heins:—

Since writing you yesterday I have received further information. I am now positive that we are on the right track. The man you were to meet at this office would have given positive information where we could get mosher and Clark. He said to me hast negations that if we got them before we got the child the nation of the could in custody would lear the could not find it. Shortly after he for a man whom I know well came to me and to me that we knew who stole the Ross child. Shortly after he for a man whom I know well came to me and to me that we knew who stole the Ross child. The could be shortly after he for a man whom I know well came to child. The said we have about Charley Ross. It is said, "Bill Mosher, a man they called Clark, and another man stole it, and a man who I ves in Philadelphia has the child. They know you are after them, and they would be gisat to give it up if they could do so without being caught." They would like to get anything they could and be assured of not being prosecuted. He said they were in his place on Friday night, the 9th inst. and that a man who had been before me was with them in his place (a lager beer saloon) at that time. I said, "Whop" and he gave me the name of the man. I am certain he tells the truth. \* \*

#### THE NEWS IN PHILADELPHIA. The Detectives' Story of Their Search

for Mosher and Douglas-The Excitement in the City. PHILADELPHIA, Ps., Dec. 14, 1874. Intense excitement has prevailed in this city all day long, owing to the unexpected news, which at

an early hour flashed over the wires, that two burglars had been killed on Long Island, one of whom, immediately before expiring, confessed CHARLES BREWSTER ROSS

The intense furore which this announcement created cannot well be described, inasmuch as the copie not only clogged the sidewalk in front of the bulletin boards, but around the Mayor's office As each additional particular was communica

rejoicing was indulged in, and ever and anon the air was rent with cheers. To be sure, the child has not yet been returned, but all feel confident that within a few days Charley will be once more in the

I have in connection with recent developments but little else to communicate than that which appears in the admirable narrative of Detective Charles Wood, which I reproduce in his exact language.

Detective Wood's Statement.

Detective Charles Wood, of our Municipal Detective Bureau—an officer who has been unusually zealous in his endeavors to recover the lost child—

He sent us word some three months ago that he knew who did it—that is, who carried off the child. This was only a short time after the child was taken from this city. When this intelligence was obtained from him we went to work and jound out where the men lived in this city, and where toey had their horse and wagon, and what their business was, and all about it.

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given you Mosher's cuitage and all. He committed a roubery in that town, which is in New Jersey,
and was arrested and placed in that jail. This
was nearly two years ago. About eighteen months
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around a little came to this city. He was a burglar, notwithstanding the opinion of some people
that this crime of kidnapping was not done by
processionals. Mosher, since his escape, was here
in Philadelphia off and off. He was a pediet, and
had a horse and wagool, and used to peddie with
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to peddie and steal. Mosher took the house in
Monroe street about a year ago and way.
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Mosher, who kept on going until they arrived
there. This they did pa manner to avoid suspicton. They went through Trenton on the day
after the sduction. It was not until the 19th or
20th of July that Mosher's wife to fix up matters,
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Is there any likelihood that they will kill the child?

Detective Wood—No, no; I don't think that, They may "drop it."

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Detective Wood—Yes; something of that kind.

MR. ROSS,
the brother of the lost child's father, appeared at the station, and was asked if he thought the child would be recovered.

"As to that I cannot say. I can only hope it may be so. At least this development shows one thing, that the officers were on the right track. It the wile nas the child I believe she will be found. I have just received from Superintendent Walling this despaten:—

To the Farshe of Charley Ross, Germantown, Pa.:—

There were two men killed this morning at Bay Ridge, near this city. One, before dying, concessed that they stole Charley Ross, and said the other man had him concealed, but did not know where. Both are burglars, known to the police.

### THE QUAKERS IN NEW ENGLAND.

Their Annual Conferences to be Permanently Held at Newport-Value of their Church Property in Rhode Island-Next Year's Gathering.

NEWPORT, R. I., Dec. 13, 1874. At the last annual meeting of the New England Society of Priends, held here in June last, it was decided in the future to hold the annual meeting alternately here and in Portland, Me. There was at the time a good deal of opposition to the arrangement, and it was not believed that the transfer could be legally made. Within a few days it has transpired that such is above mentioned course they would be obliged to forfeit their valuable church property here and

above mentioned course they would be obliged to forfeit their valuable church property here and also the more valuable school property in Providence, R. I., known as the Friends' School, where so many of all religious views have acquired an education for many years past.

The peculiarities of "Quaker meetings," as they are called, at this place is known throughout the length and breadth of the land, and "June meeting Sunday," with all its holiday aspect, is a household word in New England. Here the followers of Penn and Fox have annually assembled to worship from different parts of the land for more than two hundred years in America, and the gratifying intelligence that they are to assemble here uninterruptedly, as of yore, will be halled with Joy by the ditizens of Rhode Island, who have ever been brought up to look upon these good people with feelings of great respect. Pecuniarily it is a good item for this lashionable watering place, as the advent of a couple of thousand of Friends prior to the commencement of the "season" gives the hotels a chance to pay expenses until the rush of the world's people commences a week or two later. The headquariers of the leaders of the meeting will be at the Aquidneck House and rooms have been secured at this early date for the leading members, a fact which confirms the above important announcement. The property in this State owned by the society is valued at \$500,000.

### THE LIQUOR DEALERS.

The Association Confident in Its Strength and Determined to Appeal to the Legislature.

Association held a meeting last evening and elected the following members to be added to the Schwartz, John Carv. C. Hilkemver, James Moore: to fill vacancy, Edward McGovern; to fill vacancy, John Hay.

The meeting was very largely attended, Herz-

berg, Lanigan, Frers and the other leading mem-bers being present, There was an informal disbers being present, There was an informal discussion about the excise outlook, during which
the sentiment was expressed that the association
was ready and willing if the license was put down
to the uniform rate of \$50, to aid the Excise
Board in securing licenses. They were opposed
to the high tariff system nowever, and declared
that it was an outrage that infamous saloons
should be licensed white respectable dealers
were hampered about their business. General confidence was expressed that through
the influence of the association, which
now numbers among its members a large proportion of the respectable dealers in this city, and
which was daily gaining in strength, the next
Legislature would pass a anisorm and just excise
law for the whole State. Meanwhile they were
determined to stand firm, and as they had employed eminent counset to look out for their interests, every member of the association might
rest assured that his rights would be protected.

# WESTON'S FIVE HUNDRED MILE WALK IN

At 12:05 yesterday morning Edward Payson Weston started, at the Rink in Newark, on his third attempt to walk 500 miles in six days. But few persons were present to see him strike out. He walked the first mile in 13m. 27s., the second in 12m. 03a. Including two halts, of five and sixteen minutes, he made his first fifty miles at 10h. 24m. 39s. yesterday morning. Throughout the day he walked with snap and vigor. Although he declines to say anything unkind on the subject, there is no doubt but he feels greatly encouraged over poor Professor Judd's failure. During the evening the attendance of citizens was quite large.

#### RELIGION AND SCIENCE.

"The Bible on the Side of Science." Last evening the Rev. Dr. Howard Crosby de livered the introductory lecture on the above sub-ject before the "New York Association for the Advancement of Science and Art," in the church of which he is the pastor, Fourth avenue Presbyterian charob, corner of Twenty-second street. house was well filled by a highly respectable au-

The lecturer commenced by saying that the "conflict between religion and science" and the equivalent expressions. Religions are manifold, the Bible is one. Religions are largely subjective, the Bible in its letter is objective. its contest with religion, as religion has been represented by courts and councils, science has often gained a decided victory, for she had been the advocate of truth, while religion was the advocate of error. Such a contest has frequently taken place, and in these the world was indebted to science for deliverance from the bondage of superstition and ignorance. But beflict ever existed. Scientific men assault the Holy Scriptures, but the Scriptures make no counter attack on science. The Bible is on the side of science.

The lecturer divided his discourse into four parts, viz.:—The first was a consideration of the fact that all scientific institutions, both in Europe and America, had their origin in the energy and the money of Bible men. In this connec tion the secturer referred to the endowments to different universities, both here and in Europe. As discoveries multiply, much more do inventions multiply, for every new principle may have a thousand applications, and so the

do inventions multiply, for every new principle may have a thousand applications, and so the means of settling and civilizing the whole earth have given our age an energy and growth utterly without a parallel in the nistory of mankind. Who can doubt that in the advancement of science we are obeying the command given by our Maker to the race at the beginning—"Replenish the earth and subdue it." The men of the Bible founded all the great institutions of learning and science, at Prague, Vienna, Heidelberg, Leipzig, Tubingen, Jeua, Haile, Gottingen, Berlin and Bonn. Also at Salamanca, Oviedo and Valladolid, at Oxford and Cambridge, at St. Andrew's and Aberdeen.

In his second part, the lecturer argned that the very first scientific minds, marked in the annals of science for their discoveries, have been Bible men. Newton loved and craved the Bible. Faraday, Forbes, Carpenier, Hitchoook, Dana, Torrey, were in no hostile position to the Bible. If the Bible is opposed to science, how sarange it is that these acute men, who knew or have known the Bible from constant study, should never have perceived it, while it was left to others who do not know it at all to make the important discovery. A man might make a mistake in his physics, but God never. The taird fact in the lecturer's proof that the Bible is a scientific book is its express allusion, bold statement and facts of science which have only lately become known to scientific men. A careful examination of the Holy scriptures will convince any candid searcher that the God of Nature is speaking in the words of grace; that the who inade each atom of matter and each joint in causation is the direct inspirer of a phraseology that had no support in the general knowledge of philosophers, but that has been confirmed by the discoveries made thousands of years afterward by the investigators of nature and her laws. A number of instances were adduced in support of this position, particularly from the Book of Ecclesiases, the lawt psain, the Second Episte of Peter, &c. Instances

accuracy of the Bible might be indefinitely multiplied.

In his fourth part, the lecturer claimed that the Bible supplies the links in the sciencial chain which our experimental science would ever lail to reach. Experimental science always finds itself at last upon the border of the great unknown. All modern civilization reats upon the Bible. All the discoveries and appliances of art and philabetham and suppliances of art and philabetham and which make modern civilization so contrasted with the pseudo civilization of Abysslinia, Babylon and Egypt, sprang from the Bible. The lecturer left the subject with the confident expression that our experimental examination of nature's actractive field will always be best performed by the devout mind that recognizes God and His Word in the investigation.

#### THE ODONTOLOGICAL SOCIETY.

The New York Odontological Society yesterday held a special meeting at the house of Dr. Bronson, No. 8 East Thirty-fourth street. Mr. A. E. Northrop acted as chairman and called the meeting to order. The roll call showed that there were twenty-six members from the different cities in the Union present, together with a very full quorum from New York. Before proceeding to the reading of the papers which were made special orders for the meeting, the President said he had to make announcements of the departure of two members since the last meeting of the society. On November 28, Asa Hill, a corresponding member of the society and resident of Norwalk, Conn., had departed this life, and yesterday (Sunday) Dr. E. Parmley, one of the oldest practitioners of dentistry in the city, had ceased from his labors. A motion was made and the regret of the society at the loss it had sus

mittee of seven to draft resolutions expressing the regret of the society at the loss it had sustained in the persons of the two gentlemen spoken of. In compliance with the motion Dr. Northrop appointed the following gentlemen to draft such resolutions as the motion suggested.

Committee on Resolutions—Ben. Lord, of New York; T. H. Chandler, of Boston; Louis Jack, of Philadelphia; Robert Arthur, of Baltimore; E. J. Dunning, of New York; W. H. Bronson, of New York, and J. Smith Dodge, of New York.

Dr. Bonwill read a paper regarding his electromagnetic mallet and several other improvements in mechanical deutistry. Dr. Jack, of Philadelphia, then read an essay on his electro-magnetic mallet, in which the Patent Office received some hard hammering. The rest of the eve ing was pass d in inspecting the new appliances with which the pariers were crowded.

The meeting will be continued to-day in the pariors of the Presbyterian church (Dr. Crosby's), corner of Fourth avenue and Twenty-second street, with the following programme:

MORNING, nine o'clock—Materials for filling teeth. Papers on amalgams, by Dr. Cutler, the late Professor Thomas B. Hichcock and Dr. Bogue, emoodying the results of the latest investigations. On gold, by Dr. Black.

AFERNOON—Dr. N. W. Kingsley, on "The Causea of Irregularity in the Development of the Teeth."

EVENING—No. 34 West Twenty-eighth street, Dr. Lord's.—Dental Education: Papers by Dr. Garretson, Dr. Truman and Dr. Chander.

### ART NOTES.

Copley's equestrian portrait of the Prince of Wales, afterward George IV., is on view at Williams & Everett's art gallery in Boston. This work belongs to the artist's descendants, who reside in Boston.

The December number of the Aldine contains

The December number of the Aldine contains four beautifully tinted landscape engravings representing the seasons. They are by Maurand. The Montpensier collection at Boston still attracts public attention. When will our public have an opportunity to see those works in New York?

The Metropolitan Museum of Art holds a reception this evening.

William Hart has just completed a large picture of Keene Valley and the Ausable River, with "The Grant" in the distance. The artist has introduced into this work a group of cattle, which are admirably executed and evidence the result of his summer's studies. He is also engaged upon a golden gray sunset score of great strength and beauty.

Mr. J. B. Bristo is painting a view of the Housatonic Valley, in which the rendering of the broad expanse of Champiain is very fine.

Mrs. E. Greatorex now occupies the studio in the Association Building vacated by Mr. Swan Giford. This lady is bushly engaged upon the series of eichings illustrating "Old New York," in which she will preserve many of those fast decaying monuments of antiquity which the ruthiess hand of progress will soon sweep away. The series will consist of some eighty-six etchings, of which it is probable that city will be published soon after Christmas. Mrs. Greatorex has also obtained panels from the woodwork of the various old mansions in the city and purposes to paint pictures of the buildings or these relies, so that the works of art will have a double value. Mrs. Greatorex is engaged in an interesting labor of love, and will be greatly assisted by the loan of rare old prints litustrating the city in early days.

# AMERICAN JOCKEY CLUB.

The spring meeting of the American Jockey Club will begin on the first Saturday in June, con tinuing the two following Saturdays and intervening Tuesdays and Thursdays, making seven days in all, extending from the 5th to the 19th of the in all, extending from the 5th to the 19th of the month. There will be given in added money \$23,090, a much larger sum than ever before offered by a racing club or association in this country. The autumn meeting will begin on the first saturday in October, continuing the two following Saturdays and the Tuesdays and Thursdays intervening, seven days, extending from the 2d to the 16th of the month. The American Jockey Club will give the same amount of added money as at the soring meeting.